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June 21, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS RESULTING FROM THE BOARD-DIRECTED
CalWORKs FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS STAKEHOLDERS PROCESS
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt the consensus recommendations of the Stakeholders in the amount of \$22,679,000, as set forth in Attachment A. These recommendations will be funded exclusively through preserved Net County Cost (NCC) resulting from utilizing Performance Incentives (PI) instead of NCC in FY 2002-03 to fund juvenile probation services, pursuant to your Board's action on April 29, 2003, which are projected to be unspent as of June 30, 2004.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to negotiate, prepare, and execute contract amendments necessary to extend current contracts, as set forth in Attachment B. The approval of County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) will be obtained prior to executing such amendments, and/or renewal contracts, and the Director will notify the CAO in writing within ten (10) business days after execution.
3. Instruct the Director of DPSS to reconvene the Stakeholders in February 2005 and, if necessary, May 2005 to develop recommendations to your Board regarding the utilization of any preserved NCC which remains available for FY 2005-06, provided that such recommendations shall be limited to those programs and services for which preserved NCC in FY 2004-05 was allocated on April 20, 2004 and/or is recommended on Attachment A.
4. Authorize the CAO to execute changes in FY 2004-05 departmental budgets in accordance with your Board's actions on these recommendations.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On April 20, 2004, your Board approved the consensus recommendations from the Stakeholders in the amount of \$25,290,000, which represents 53% of the \$48.1 million in preserved NCC projected to be available in FY 2004-05. These recommendations only addressed a portion of the available preserved NCC funding. Additionally, we informed you that we would report back to your Board with recommendations to address the remaining available preserved NCC funding in June 2004.

Consistent with your Board's instructions, this Board letter transmits recommendations from the Stakeholders regarding the recommended utilization of preserved NCC funding in the amount of \$22,679,000. The Stakeholders reached a complete consensus regarding this portion of the projected available funding. These consensus recommendations are addressed in Recommendation 1 and set forth in Attachment A.

I have independently reviewed and concur with the consensus recommendations of the Stakeholders.

Your Board previously approved full-year FY 2004-05 funding for the After-School Enrichment Program and CalWORKs Limited-English Proficient Education and Training; therefore, no additional funding for these programs is included in this set of recommendations.

Implementation of several of the consensus funding recommendations addressed in Recommendation 1 require the execution of contract amendments. Recommendation 2 seeks delegated authority for the Director of DPSS to execute amendments, or extensions of existing contracts, as set forth in Attachment B.

Some preserved NCC from the utilization of Performance Incentives for Juvenile Probation services in FY 2002-03 may still be available to the County for services in FY 2005-06. In keeping with your Board's prior instructions, Recommendation 3 proposes that your Board instruct the Director of DPSS to reconvene the Stakeholders in February 2005 and, if necessary, May 2005 to develop recommendations to your Board for FY 2005-06. In February, the Stakeholders will: (1) reassess the \$6.5 million for Youth Jobs in the summer of 2005 which is included on Attachment A; and (2) to the extent any additional preserved NCC is projected to be available for FY 2005-06, develop recommendations regarding the utilization of some or all of this funding in FY 2005-06. If necessary, the stakeholders will reconvene in May to develop recommendations regarding the utilization of any remaining preserved NCC projected to be available in FY 2005-06.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal 5: Children and Families' Well-Being as measured by achievements in the five outcome areas adopted by the Board: good health; economic well-being; safety and survival; social and emotional well-being; and education/workforce readiness.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These recommendations will be funded exclusively through preserved NCC resulting from utilizing PI instead of NCC in FY 2002-03 to fund juvenile probation services, pursuant to your Board's action on April 29, 2003.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

All contracts funded pursuant to these recommendations will include provisions for performance standards.

All funding recommendations in this letter involve services which are reasonably calculated to accomplish a TANF purpose.

The recommendations are made subject to applicable laws, regulations and Board actions in effect and applicable to the projects, programs, and/or line items identified in the recommendations. The County of Los Angeles through DPSS has the legal authority pursuant to State law to administer the CalWORKs program in the County. The CAO has reviewed and approved this letter. County Counsel has reviewed and approved this letter as to form.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The Director of DPSS will execute contract amendments in accordance with the delegated authority requested in Recommendation 2 and detailed in Attachment B.

The recommended funding for EITC outreach will necessitate an amendment to the current contract between the County and the Children's Planning Council, which will be submitted by the Children's Planning Council for approval by your Board. If your Board approves this funding recommendation, the funding will be allocated in the same manner as other County funding for the Children's Planning Council, and will be placed in the Board of Supervisors budget, which is administered by the Executive Office.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

To the extent that implementation of these recommendations increases the number of CalWORKs families who attain long-term self-sufficiency, they will reduce the current and future demand for certain public services.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Attachments

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Commission for Public Social Services
Community Planning Group
New Directions Task Force

CONSENSUS FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Program/Service	Consensus Recommendation
FY 2004-05	
CalWORKs Adult School/ROCP Coordination Services (see Note 1)	\$1,500,000
CalWORKs Community College Coordination Services (see Note 1)	\$2,100,000
Careers in Child Care (see Note 1)	\$1,275,000
Child Care Training Institute (see Note 1)	\$412,000
County Apprenticeship Program (LTFSS #4) (see Note 1)	\$450,000
Domestic Violence Services (see Note 1)	\$1,950,000
Earned Income Tax Credit Promotion (see Note 2)	\$500,000
Homelessness Prevention Services (LTFSS #14 & #15) (see Note 1)	\$4,500,000
Housing Relocation Program (LTFSS #6) (see Note 1)	\$150,000
Transitional Subsidized Employment (LTFSS #3) (see Note 1)	\$3,042,000
Vehicle Repair (see Note 1)	\$300,000
FY 2005-06	
Youth Jobs (LTFSS #23) (see Note 3)	\$6,500,000
Total Consensus Recommendations	\$22,679,000

NOTES OF EXPLANATION

Note 1: The amount recommended will fund these programs/services from October 2004 through June 2005. Funding from July 2004 through September 2004 was previously approved on April 20, 2004.

Note 2: The amount recommended will fund this program for two years: FY 2004-05 and FY 2005-06.

Note 3: The amount recommended will fund this program for the summer of 2005. Up to 10% of this funding may be utilized for start-up costs, commencing February 2005. Each contractor who receives any of this funding shall expend at least 70% of such funding on wages, employee benefit contributions, and supportive services (excluding remedial education) for participating youth.

This recommended funding for Youth Jobs in FY 2005-06 is subject to reconsideration by the Stakeholders in February 2005, based on additional information regarding CalWORKs Single Allocation funding and preserved NCC for FY 2005-06. If the Stakeholders do not recommend reallocation of any or all of this \$6.5 million, your Board's approval of this funding in June 2004 will be final. If the Stakeholders do recommend reallocation, the allocation of this \$6.5 million shall be held in abeyance, pending action by your Board in March 2005 on the Stakeholders' revised recommendations.

**RECOMMENDED DELEGATED CONTRACT AUTHORITY
TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES**

Program/Service	Contractor(s)	Term of Contract Extension
CalWORKs Community College Coordination Services	13 Community College Districts	October 2004 - June 2005
Transitional Subsidized Employment (LTFSS #3)	City of Hawthorne	October 2004 - June 2005
Careers in Child Care	10 Community Colleges	October 2004 - June 2005
County Apprenticeship Program (LTFSS #4)	LAUSD	October 2004 - June 2005
CalWORKs Adult School/Regional Occupational Centers and Programs Coordination Services	LAUSD LACOE	October 2004 - June 2005
Child Care Training Institute	LACOE	October 2004 - June 2005